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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

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THE ITALIAN ADVANCE.

London, May 17.
A correspondent at Italian Headquarters states that the Italian advance was highly spectacular. Crossing the precipitous Isenzo gorge on narrow bridges, regardless of clouds of shrapnel, the first line trenches fell immediately; then the Italians made the steep ascent at Monte Kuk to the Austrian second line, 800 feet above, which consisted of bristling machine guns. The battle raged all day and all night till the Italians outflanked and captured the whole position. Monte Kuk's summit, 1,800 feet (beyond?), were captured later. A furious counter-attack on both fronts followed, but after heavy fighting the enemy were repulsed and Kuk was definitely won.

RUSSIA AND THE WAR.

STATEMENT BY PREMIER.

Petrograd, May 17.
At a meeting of the Provisional Government and the Executive of the Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates, the Premier, M. Lvoff, declared that the defeat of Russia and her Allies would be a national disaster. Hence, the Government was confident that the revolutionary army will not allow the Germans to be victorious.

RUSSIAN GENERALS HOPEFUL.

Petrograd, May 17.
Generals Alexieff, Dragomiroff, Gurko and Brusiloff declare that the Coalition Ministry will restore the discipline of the army, which is enthusiastic over the appointment of M. Kerensky as Minister of War.

STRIKES AND MUNITION MAKING.

London, May 17.
In the House of Commons, discussing the engineering strike, Dr. Addison, Minister of Munitions, emphasised the vital importance of a Munitions Amendment Bill in view of the tremendous programme for aeroplane engines, guns and shipbuilding. It was absolutely necessary to take skilled men from private firms and the dilution of labour was the only way of maintaining such firms.
Dr. Addison said that he stood most firmly to his Bill, but he was prepared to discuss details with the representatives of the Amalgamated Societies and whoever they brought, but he declined to receive directly the representatives of the strikers.

THE IRISH PROPOSALS.

ATTITUDE OF THE TWO PARTIES.

London, May 17.
Mr. Redmond, in a letter to Mr. Lloyd George, refuses the proposal of immediate Home Rule, exclusive of Ulster, but accepts the alternative of a Convention. Sir John Brownlee Lonsdale, on behalf of the Ulster Unionists, undertakes to submit the proposals for the Ulster Council's careful consideration; but, according to the Press Association, the Ulster leaders in the House of Commons stated last evening that they would not submit the Convention proposal to the Council, nor themselves serve on such a body.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, May 17.
Silver is very quiet.

AFTER-WAR TRADE.

GROWING GERMAN FEARS.

London, May 17.
The big industrial paper, the *Rheinisch-Westfälische Zeitung*, publishes an article showing the further spread of the scare regarding after-war trade which started in the German banking press, including the *Berliner Tageblatt*, the *Lokalanzeiger*, and the *Frankfurter Zeitung*.
There seems to be a deliberate intention to prepare the German nation for the surrender of all political claims if only peace is obtainable on pre-war trade conditions. The article is specially apprehensive regarding the effects of the Imperial Conference which it deems far more than the Paris Conference. It says that the establishment of an Imperial Customs Union will be a matter of extreme gravity for Germany as it would, by its weight, draw a number of smaller States into its orbit.

INTER-ALLIED COMMERCE CONFERENCE.

Rome, May 17.

The inter-Allied Commercial Conference has opened.
Lord Gainsford, on behalf of the British Delegates emphasised Great Britain's desire that the resources of the Allies should be co-ordinated. The Conference approved of the resolutions relating to trade marks, the application of science industrially, for the health of munition workers, the employment of disabled soldiers, a system of police to protect trade after the war, a scheme for an inter-allied insurance union and measures to crush the German system of trade espionage and corruption.

THE WAR CABINET.

London, May 18.

The *Times*, after describing General Smuts' speech as worthy of the great occasion, comments on his references to the War Cabinet as follows:— "Certainly the meetings of the past few weeks have been marked by an immense advance on the Imperial Conferences of past days. They have had, for one thing, the excellent result of establishing the position of India as a partner nation in the British Commonwealth. No man knows better than General Smuts, the dangers which lurked in the anomalous relations of the Dominions and India. He, as much as any statesman of the Empire, must rejoice at the better promise implicit in the representation of India at the Imperial Cabinet, and he had, we may conjecture, his full share in the happy establishment of cordial relations between the representatives of the Dominions and India. General Smuts did not enter into the possibility of more complete constitutional developments for the Empire. He agreed to a special conference after the war to settle the problem and he feels that there is now no doubt that it may be left there for the moment. We are not disposed to quarrel with this decision. The people of this country will do well to reserve their judgment in that matter and to pay grave attention to what General Smuts said about the future security of the Empire. There is real need for his reminder to bear in mind not merely Central Europe but the British Empire, when the peace settlement comes. There is a tendency here to concentrate on the problems of Europe and to leave the rest of the Empire to shift for itself. This will not do any longer, and General Smuts is absolutely right to tell us so frankly."

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TUESDAY,

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WHAT WILL BE ITS FUTURE?

[By Dr. GASTER.]

■ (Dr. Gaster is the Chief Rabbi of the Sephardic Communities in England, and is a distinguished authority on Biblical lore and on the law and literature of the East generally. The founder of Zionism in England, Dr. Gaster has continued to take a leading part in its evolution, and has been thrice the vice-president of the Zionist Congress.)

We Zionists have often had it said to us that Palestine should be given to the Jews; that, however, is very far from my desire, for without the machinery of Government, and without holding a preponderance of population, such a gift would be but a burden, and would be prospective of nothing but inter-racial strife and national disappointment. What I desire to see, and hope that some day I shall see, is Palestine under the political control of Great Britain, and of Great Britain alone. The form of suzerainty is immaterial. Whether the overlordship be such as that which prevails in Egypt, or Cyprus, or in any other of this country's protected States, does not concern me; it is the substance of progress I seek, not the shadow of a name. It must be borne in mind that the confederation of Powers, no dual control, would be a possible alternative. For Palestine to be prosperous the firm and just control of one Power, and one only, is essential.

THE PROMISED CONSTITUTION.

Existing nationalities would have to be acknowledged, their interests safeguarded, and the Turkish system of groups continued. Thus there would be in Palestine three nations: a Mohammedan nation, a Christian nation, and a Jewish nation, the sphere of each being determined by the supreme Power. To each nation would be given the power of independent internal administration, and the control of all matters concerning education and charity, with, of course, the power of taxation. Each language, again, would be recognised as official and legal.

The Moslem element in Syria has been stationary since the Crusades, and the Turkish Government has not contributed to build up the ruins of the desolated land. But, at the same time, I should like to say a good word for the Turk; for the Jews have had nothing of which to complain. They have not been singled out for persecution, or subjected to any special laws, or forced to live in ghettos of settlement, and their feeling is not one of unkindness. They, with the rest of the peoples of the Ottoman Empire, have had only to deplore the inertia of the Government and the hindrance it has placed in the way of development; and all this has ruined the Turk more than it has the Jew. When the change of Government comes, it is to Great Britain alone that the Jews will look to put the wasted hopes of their fathers into a land again flowing with milk and honey, and to give the inhabitants of the Holy Land that Pax Britannica which is the one essential of Palestine is to become the spiritual centre of Jewry and the home of the homeless Jew.

A JEWISH CHARTER.

Jews have no political schemes of conquest, though once established in Palestine, they would constitute a stout barrier to any threat from the north of British Power in Egypt. It would, in fact, be as much a question of self-defence as one of loyalty. In their view of the Jews, the possibility of settlement in the Holy Land. We contemplate a charter, granted by the Sovereign Power to the Jews, a charter that will not impair upon the acquired rights of the actual inhabitants, but will give the Jews a privileged position in the right of pre-emption and purchase of Crown lands and railways, and facilities for all manner of industrial development. Free ingress of immigrants, who will flock to the Holy Land, will be granted, and the right to acquire the land vested in the Jews themselves. The revolution in Russia has changed to a certain extent the aspect of the immigration question, and has surely changed it for the better. For the millions of Jews in Russia will no longer feel the pressure, driving them to well-earned flow. The position of the Polish Jew, however, still presents a problem for which no solution has been found, and a great influx from that part of the world is not unlikely.

THE MORE OF THE ZIONIST.

What the Jews want is not the power to rule, but the feeling that they are being governed by a just and fair Administration, one that tolerates and understands the possibilities of their future. Palestine to the Jews is not like a Gentile colony. Jews will not go there to enrich themselves. They will go to find contentment and peace of mind, freedom from oppression, so that, unhindered, a spiritual state may rise there to become a centre of light to themselves and to all the peoples. A Jewish Palestine would prove a link between the cultures of East and West, the high race where all could meet in peaceful competition, to serve the highest aims of mankind.

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HEAVY BAIL.

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Evidence was heard and both defendants were remanded, their bail being fixed at \$2,000 each.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF OPIUM.

A Chinese boat woman from Canton, who was arrested on the Leong Wing Wharf, pleaded guilty yesterday to the charge of being in the unlawful possession of 341 tails of prepared opium, other than Government opium.

His Worship sentenced the defendant to six months' hard labour in Victoria Gaol.

AN OPIUM DIVAN.

Before Mr. Melbourne yesterday four Chinese were charged with smoking in an opium divan at No. 31 Ta Tit street, Sham-Sai-Py, and the first defendant was also charged with being the keeper of the divan.

All four defendants pleaded guilty to the charge of smoking in the divan, and the first defendant also pleaded guilty to being the keeper of the divan.

His Worship fined the first defendant \$70, or, in default of payment, sentenced him to one month's hard labour; and the remaining three defendants were each fined two dollars, with the alternative of five days' hard labour.

WHEN THE BOYS COME BACK.

MR. JUDGE, ON AFTER-WAR PROBLEMS.

PLANS FOR DEMOBILISATION.

Workmen's son and employer's son were fighting together and making the great sacrifice. When they came back things could not be as they were before the war. The community of feeling and of understanding that had come to them in comradeship must surely have its effect in the work-shop.

These sentences in the speech of Mr. Horne, Labour Minister, at the luncheon of the Association of Chambers of Commerce were greeted with cheers.

He found a consensus of opinion among employers that when the boys came back they must be considered first as regards employment. He firmly believed that employers would not let their verbal undertaking. A man who would not keep his word would not keep his written bond, and when all was said and done, if they did not keep their word, God help them. (Loud laughter.) Employers and workers—they were all sinners; and they had to put the past behind them and make a new start.

TRIPLE CARD SYSTEM.

He had to handle the problem of demobilisation, and he was forming a great central committee, composed of representatives of workers, representatives and representatives of capital. They would have, in every city, town, and village of 2,000 inhabitants, local committees, all appointed in the same way and in the same proportions, for looking after the interests of the boys when they came back. There would be a triple card issued. The Army would get one, the man himself would get one, and he, as Labour Minister, would get one. When the soldier returned, he would have a month's furlough. If he failed to go to the local employment agency to register himself, a duplicate of the card would be sent on to the agent, who would consult the employers and the workmen in the district and between them they would look after the man.

He did not secure the whole-hearted support not only of his fellow trade unionists, but of the employers, in making the scheme a success. It would be his desire, as Minister of Labour, whether his terms of office were short or long, to act honestly and uprightly, in other words, to play "cricket" all the time. (Loud cheers.)

BAR IN CALCUTTA CLOSE AT 11 P.M.

Calcutta, 3rd April. Last night for the first time all theatres, hotels and clubs were compelled to close at 11 p.m. instead of 1 a.m. The Proprietors and Managers of all licensed premises in Calcutta received a notice in the following terms:—"You are hereby informed that, under late clause of license, will be issued this year. You can secure a refund of dues that you have paid in on this account. Please note that sales of intoxicating liquors must be stopped on your premises and at all bars therein at 11 p.m." The notice was signed by Mr. J. R. Raba, Superintendent of Excise. The new order, it is understood, also applies to residents in hotels, the phrase "and all bars therein" being taken to cover private bars from which residents obtain their supplies. This is undoubtedly the sequel to compulsory service, the object being to send our soldiers home earlier than the majority are accustomed.

MONARCH AS AIRMAN.

KING ALBERT'S TOUR OVER YSER LINES.

La Metropole, a Belgian newspaper published in London, learn from Flanders that on March 18th, King Albert, who was visiting a new military flying ground of the Belgian Army, expressed a desire to act as an aerial observer. His Majesty took his place in a two-seater, piloted by Captain Jacquet, who has already accounted for several German machines. Preceded by a squadron of fighting planes, the King flew over the whole of the Belgian Yser front, at heights varying between 2,000 and 4,000 feet. He took photographs, and German anti-aircraft guns put up a well sustained fire, but no enemy aircraft ventured in the way of the Royal plane.

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NOTICE.

EMPIRE DAY.

MEMBERS and Subscribers are notified that the "C.L.P." will be THROWN OPEN to their Lady Friends on THURSDAY NEXT, EMPIRE DAY, from 11.30 A.M. to 4 P.M. Tiffin to which Ladies may be invited will be served at 1.15 P.M. A Band will be in attendance. Members and Subscribers may engage tables for tiffin after noon on MONDAY the 21st May, at the Secretary's Office. By Order, R. DUS VREUX, Secretary.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

FOR the WHITSUNDAY HOLIDAYS the following Competitions have been arranged:—

FOR MEN:
RUNNING POOL—SATURDAY to MONDAY.
18 Holes Big Course.
Entrance Fee \$1.00 per card.

FOR LADIES:
RUNNING POOL—SATURDAY to MONDAY.
18 Holes Relief Course.
Entrance Fee \$1.00 per card.

MIXED FOURSOMES:
RUNNING POOL—SATURDAY to MONDAY.
18 Holes Relief Course.
Entrance Fee \$1.00 per card.

WHIT MONDAY:
18 Holes Big Course.
Entrance Fee \$1.00 per couple.

There will be a First and a Second Prize and a Small Scratch Prize. 25% of all Entrance Fees to go to a War Charity.

K. M. CUMMING,
Honorary Secretary.
Hongkong, May 19, 1917.

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

8.30 p.m.—Assault-Arms on Volunteer Parade Ground.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

11 a.m.—Dedication Service at Union Church.

MEMO. FOR MONDAY.

3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.
Election of a Justice of the Peace for the Licensing Board.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, May 22:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Blackwood Ware, Pianos etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of one Gramophone and Records at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

WEDNESDAY, May 23:—

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture etc. at No. 9 Middle Row, Kowloon.

5.30 p.m.—Annual General Meeting of the Royal H.K. Golf Club.

6 p.m.—Organ Recital at Union Church.

THURSDAY, May 24:—

11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Club open to Ladies.

8.30 p.m.—Assault-Arms on Volunteer Parade Ground.

FRIDAY, May 25:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Towels, Napery, Brass and Glass Ware etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, May 26:—

Queen Mary's Birthday (1897).
11.30 a.m.—Peak Tramways Co. Meeting.

Next—Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. Annual Meeting.

Gymkhana Meeting at Happy Valley.

SUNDAY, May 27:—

Whit Sunday.

MONDAY, May 28:—

Whit Monday—General Holiday.

TUESDAY, May 29:—

4 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.

is getting a clearer conception of what is involved in this struggle and it is reassuring to know that the leading Russian Generals are united in declaring that the Coalition Government which has just been formed in Russia will restore discipline in the Army. This should give us hope that now that the weather on the Russian front is becoming favourable for great military operations the Russian Army will nobly play the part that is expected of it in bringing the war to a victorious and early conclusion.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The German Club at Yokohama has been officially ordered to be closed.

The Spring meeting of the Tien-tai Race Club will be held May 21, 22 and 23.

The Constitutional Reform Association of Hongkong has been exempted from registration under the Societies Ordinance.

Piracy is reported to be prevalent in the Canton Delta. Often a junk with all its cargo is taken to an unknown destination, thus seriously affecting inland trade.

The Tamon Maru, owned by Tatsama Steamship Company and chartered by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, sank on the 12th inst. after running ashore on her way from Formosa to Yokohama.

As advertised in another column, the Hongkong Club will be thrown open to lady friends of members and subscribers on Empire Day from 11.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tiffin will be served at 1.15 p.m. when a band will be in attendance.

It is stated that the disbandment of the troops is progressing successfully so far. Now only \$50,000 more is needed to complete the \$2,500,000 required for the payment of arrears of pay, the disbandment and other necessary expenses.

The attention of members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club is drawn to an announcement in another column of a series of competitions for men and ladies at Fanning during the Whitsunday holidays. A fourth of the entrance fees is to go to a war charity.

Mr. Oki, Chief of the Japanese Bureau of Commerce, recently gave to the Chamber of Commerce at Osaka explanations of the Enemy Trading Act promulgated in Japan. He announced that the Japanese Government is compiling a Black List which will be issued after consultation with the British Government.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. T. W. Ainsworth to act as Secretary to the Sanitary Board.

His Excellency the Governor has, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, been pleased to appoint Mr. E. R. Dovey to be Analyst, Medical Department, with effect from 1st January 1917.

News has reached Shanghai that Second Lieut. C. Wilson of the Gordon Highlanders was killed in action on May 7th. The young officer was born in Shanghai and was employed in the Finance Department of the Municipal Council.

Mr. Frederick Sassoon, whose death was announced in a recent London telegram, was managing director of David Sassoon and Co., Ltd. He was the only surviving son of the founder of David Sassoon and Co., and was in Shanghai some 40 years ago, during the formation of the company. He retained at the time of his death considerable holdings in Shanghai. Much larger interests however were those in India, France and England. He left Shanghai about 30 years ago, and had applied himself closely to business affairs until the time of his death, which was sudden. He was about 65 years old. His widow, a son and a daughter survive him. The son, Mr. Ronald Sassoon, was severely wounded last year during the Somaia battle, but has now almost entirely recovered and was recently made a director of David Sassoon and Co. A nephew, Sir Philip Sassoon, member for Hythe, made to General French. Mr. Sassoon was known always as a shrewd man of business and of a retiring and unassuming nature, seldom appearing in public life.

MUNITION SUPPLIES.
A REQUEST TO THE PUBLIC
IN THE COLONIES.

Some official correspondence is published by command in the Government Gazette relative to the procedure which should be adopted in the case of orders from Colonies not possessing Responsible Government and Protectorates for the supply from the United Kingdom of machinery and other materials (such as steel, tin-plates, copper wire, etc.), for which there is a demand for war purposes.

H.E. the Governor has appointed the Director of Public Works as the Munitions Priority Authority.

An extract from a circular despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor of Hongkong, dated 14th February, 1917, says:—

I take this opportunity to state that the Minister of Munitions is anxious that merchants and the general public in British overseas possessions will co-operate with him by (a) endeavouring to do without such supplies as need priority, and (b) realizing that priority is only refused with great reluctance in order to conserve the maximum supplies for hastening the Allied victory and a satisfactory peace. I shall be glad if you will give publicity to this request.

THE REGISTRATION ORDINANCE.

The following order has been made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 3(a) of the Registration of Persons Ordinance, 1916, Ordinance No. 6 of 1916:—

The First Schedule to the Registration of Persons Ordinance, 1916, is hereby repealed and the following schedule is substituted therefor:—

- FIRST SCHEDULE.
- (1) Members of His Majesty's Regular Naval or Military Forces.
 - (2) Consular Officers of Foreign States.
 - (3) The wives and daughters of persons included in the two classes specified above so long as such persons are resident in the Colony.
 - (4) Persons of Chinese Race.
 - (5) Persons not exceeding 18 years of age.

Note.—Any person who has already registered prior to the making of this order will not be required to register.

THE RECONSTRUCTED "SUI AN."

The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd., have had a trial trip with their steamer *Sui An*, which has been under course of reconstruction at the yard of Messrs Kwong Tuck Cheong since the beginning of the year. The superstructure has been completely rebuilt of steel frames and plated bulwarks and the accommodation follows the style of the *s.s. Tai-shan* of the same Company. Much credit is due to the Contractors for turning out such good substantial work. Messrs Goddard and Douglas, local surveyors, and Captain Connor of the Company, supervised the rebuilding. The Steamboat Company is to be congratulated on the acquisition of a modern and up-to-date river steamer specially adapted to the Hongkong and Macao trade.

The *Sui An* will relieve the steamer *Tai-shan* for docking purposes on Monday the 21st instant, after which she will resume her regular run on the Hongkong-Macao Line in place of the *s.s. Sui Tai*, which will be transferred to the Macao-Canton Line in due course.

NEW ORGAN AT UNION CHURCH.

A new organ has been installed in Union Church and the service at the Church to-morrow morning will be a dedication service in connection with the opening of the organ.

The new organ has been constructed by Messrs Blackett and Howden, of Newcastle-on-Tyne to specifications drawn up by Mr. E. J. Chapman, the organist of the Church. Mr. W. C. Blackett of the firm which built the organ came out specially to erect and finish it. A feature in the construction of the new organ is that the action moulds and bookfalls are of phosphor bronze instead of wood as ordinarily, and several other deviations which the local climate renders advisable have been introduced. The blowing plant is the gift of Major D. Macdonald. The organ has a manual compass from C.C. to A-28 notes, and a pedal compass of 30 notes, C.C.C. to F.

On Wednesday evening next at 8 p.m. Mr. Denham Fuller, P.E.C.O. I.R.A.M. will give a recital on the organ.

TOPICS OF THE WEEK.

[BY TATTLER.]

Shanghai has recently been denoting of its hail stones—running to seven inches in circumference, and I don't know how many pounds in weight. Hongkong cannot compete with Shanghai in the matter of hailstones. But what about mosquitoes? We have had them this year in far greater numbers than usual, and as for the size of them—well, to avoid exaggeration, let it be said that their size has been extraordinary. Residents slumbering peacefully at night under the nets on the Peak are reported to have been awakened by what they imagined to be the military band, but when thoroughly aroused found it to be the humming of a merry swarm of mosquitoes, vainly struggling to get through the net to revenge themselves on the sleeper.

Certainly, mosquitoes have been exceptionally numerous as well as exceptionally large this year, everywhere on the Peak. No doubt this is due to the lateness of the rains. The heavy downpours we have had this week should confer the double benefit of ridding us to a large extent of the plague of mosquitoes, and replenishing our sadly depleted reservoirs.

Everybody in the Colony must have been interested in the scheme which has been placed before the community this week for raising, by additional taxation a sum of two million dollars a year without hardship or inconvenience to anybody. But while it is doubtless possible to get the two millions in the manner described there is an entire lack of support for the assertion that it can be obtained without inflicting hardship or causing inconvenience. It is a commonplace that nobody welcomes taxation.

But there are other ways and means of raising that two millions. India at the present time is raising many millions of rupees by sweepstakes, the prizes in which are paid in Indian 54 per cent. War Loan Bonds. Syndicates at Bombay, Calcutta and in Burma are doing this with the sanction of the Indian Government. Moreover, in a London paper by to-day's mail I notice a writer who is usually well informed states that the issue of Premium Bonds in Great Britain is "a practical certainty." Let that be done in Hongkong, making the prizes payable in Hongkong 6 per cent. War Loan Bonds and there will not be much difficulty in raising another two millions a year. But Premium Bonds are regarded at the present time both in the United Kingdom and in Hongkong as contravening the gambling laws, and there are circumstances which make it likely that Hongkong would be about the last place in the Empire to resort to this means of raising revenue.

At the present time the Siberian mail route has little or no advantage over the Suez route, but in view of the recent announcement at Shanghai by the British Postmaster that the dispatch of mails via Siberia had been stopped, the arrival of the latest mail via Suez without letters, suggests the inquiry as to whether we are in future to expect our letters via Suez or via Canada?

By the way it has been a subject of comment that no announcement has been made by the Hongkong Post Office corresponding to that made by the British Post Office at Shanghai. In these times, perhaps, it is expected of the Hongkong public that they should "lay low and say nothing"—and just take our mails as they come and let them go by routes known only to the Postmaster. But when I see it stated that mails via Canada have been taking two months to reach Japan from England, it excites some curiosity to know whether Hongkong is to be dependant on this service in future. The Shanghai Postmaster has stated that mails would be forwarded from Shanghai by that route.

They know how to boom shovels in Japan. An arresting heading in a Japan paper says "Dapper comers recommended rule and regulation."

to Tokyo," and the subject matter of the article tells how "thirty tons of scenery and costumes for Kismet, the most elaborate theatrical production ever seen in the Far East" had reached Tokyo. Some idea of the untinted wealth of colour, the realism and the artistic detail with which it is intended to surround this remarkable performance, may be gathered from the fact that the costumes and properties alone were packed in forty large cases. There are one hundred and twenty-two costumes. The scenery which will give a true picture of Bagdad, and which will be mounted by an expert, involves some fifteen changes during the performance. All the scenery, the costumes and the properties have been imported for the occasion. The notices do not say whence it was all imported, but the reader is left to infer from the context that it all came either from London or New York. Many would not stop to think what the Shipping Controller would have to say about those forty cases which are alleged to have weighed or measured thirty tons. As a matter of fact it all went from Hongkong where the scenery costumes and properties were made and everybody who is anybody has had the pleasure of seeing it all at our Theatre Royal.

THE MAGISTRACY.

THEFT OF AN IRON BAR.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning a Chinese was charged with the theft of an iron bar, valued at \$2.80, the property of Lam Fu Kan, in Bonham Road. The defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge and after evidence was heard the case was adjourned.

LARCENY FROM KOWLOON GODOWNS.

A Chinese coolie, was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with stealing two earthenware cups from the Hongkong-Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company.

Mr. P. Packham, Superintendent of the Kowloon Godowns, appeared to prosecute and the defendant, who pleaded guilty to the charge, was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

A VIOLENT FIGHT.

A coolie woman, whilst walking in Third Street yesterday, met an old man to whom she had lent ten cents about a year ago, and who had never repaid her. She immediately accosted her debtor and demanded payment of the borrowed money. When the old man attempted to evade her, she promptly removed one of her clogs and struck him over the head with it. The old man quickly summoned a police constable and had his assailant taken into custody. Brought before Mr. Wood this morning the woman was ordered to pay one dollar compensation to her debtor, who, with his head swathed in bandages, appeared in Court as complainant against her.

THEFT OF CHICKENS.

In Mr. Melbourne's Court this morning a Chinese pleaded guilty to stealing five chickens and a clock from a married woman, residing in Kowloon City, and was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour.

CHINESE GAMBEERS.

Twelve Chinese were lined up before Mr. Melbourne this morning on a charge of gambling, and the first defendant was also charged with being the keeper of the gambling house wherein the defendants were caught gaming.

After evidence was heard, eleven of the defendants were each fined two dollars, and the first defendant, who pleaded to the first charge and not guilty to the second and was defended by Mr. Leo d'Almeida, was remanded.

THE ST. GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATION.

The General Committee for St. George's Day celebration is to hold a final meeting on Monday next, the 21st inst. in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, which has been kindly lent for the purpose. The meeting has been called to receive the Hon. Treasurer's report, which has been audited by Mr. A. E. Lowe, and also to consider the question of forming a St. George's Society in Hongkong. In connection with this latter the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp and Mr. H. W. Lockhart have kindly drawn up a paper recommending rules and regulations to be adopted.

CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO FUND.

The following is the subscription list to date:—

Acknowledged to 13th April, 1917. \$20,181.40

Since received:—
Mr. A. J. Walters 2.00
M.S.S. (May sub.) 5.00
Mr. Perry 12.00
Mr. P. G. Becker, Whampoa, Canton (sub. for April) 22.00
Lushan Recreation Club, commission on Cash Sweeps and sale of Programmes at Sports 34.30
Anonymous 30.00
Per Sec. Mar. Engineers' Guild 11.00
Raz. Dazzle 5.00
Civil Service (Cricket Club) 22.00
Sentries 5.00
Loeb from raid on coolies gambling95
Collected by Mrs. Arthur, List No. 6:—

H.F.W. 50.00
The Oil Kings 26.50
D.O.G. 35.00
A.H.C. 20.00
Duchess of Hamilton 15.00
M.C.B.S. 13.00
R.S.N., L.P.C., C.C., F.G., G.A.P., H.F.C., P.D.S., at \$10.00 each 70.00
F.A., She Tai Tsoi, San Shaw Shaw, at \$6.00 each 18.00
T.J.F., G.E.S., F.A.W., J.M., J.M.H., N.S.M., J. van R., C.B.D., J.P., H.H., R.H., W. and H., J.S.D., S.G.N., G.C.M., E.M.E., C.H.P.H., R.S., G.S.A., H.W.K., S.H.D., A.G.G., H.B.L.D., A.S., T.A.L., A.E.G., at \$5.00 each 130.00
J.H.R., E.A., J.B., F.B., P.H.H., W.S., G.M.S., H.H., at \$3.00 each 24.00
A.N.A., J.B.K., F.W.T., W.D., D.J.F., R.W.M., W.C.B., R.M.F., A.D.G., J.H.D., R.G.H., C.H.B., T.B.C., R.A.W., R.P.T., R.A.G., J.A.R., H.E.M., R.T.B., A.S.L., T.C.D., W.J.M., B.K., G.B.L., H.W.D., C.B., W.R.M., C.R.K., A.O.L., G.G.F., J.H.B., R.M.C., P.S.T., E.G.S., J.E.C., G.A.T., J.H.C.L., at \$2.00 each 74.00
G.M.L., T.C.N., H.F.C., at \$1.00 each 3.00

Expended to 13th April \$19,342.08

Since expended:—
200,000 cigarettes sent to the troops at the front 642.33

Balance on hand \$ 257.84

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Lieut. Colonel F. C. Nisbet, Commanding 8th D.C.L.I., Salonica Force, 2nd March, 1917.

The case of cigarettes so kindly sent us from the "Cigarette and Tobacco Fund" arrived safely last week, whilst we were in the trenches, and was at once distributed through the Battalion. I wish to thank you and your friends very heartily both on my own and the men's behalf for your welcome present, and the kindly thought that prompted it. The cigarettes are immensely appreciated by all the men; in these days of submarines they are difficult to procure out here, especially as we are 40 miles from the nearest shop. Things are going well out here, and brother Bulgar is showing distinct signs of discouragement. Once more thanking you, Believe me, yours sincerely,

Major K. A. Brown, F.R.I., 10th Devons, 24th February, 1917.

The cigarettes, despatched on your behalf by the British American Tobacco Co., on November 29th, have just arrived and have been distributed among the men of the Battalion. The gift is very much appreciated; as I need not say, both for its own sake and because of the thought for the men which prompted the sending of it, and on the men's behalf I wish to thank you and the subscribers to your Fund very heartily.

Yours faithfully,

Le. Col. H. Baker, S.B., 4th R.B.R.C., Salonica Field Force, Salonica, 1st February, 1917.

Just a line to thank you on behalf of our stretcher bearers for your kindness in sending us the cigarettes, which we were all very pleased with. It is nice to know we are not forgotten, and to receive such gifts from kind friends in Hongkong, whom we have never seen. The smokers were distributed in Salonica. All goes well out here and we are certain that victory is ours, and peace not far off. All now, trusting you are well, with my best respects and good wishes, Yours sincerely,

Cpl. Downie and Cpl. McKay, No. 5 Platoon, A Coy., 1st Cameron Highlanders, 24th February, 1917.

I have to thank you on behalf of men belonging to the above platoon for your gift of 500 Woodbine's. At present, we are enjoying them, and we all hope to get you another gift of the "Cameron" brand in the Happy Valley of Hong Kong. M. Wharmby, S.M. still there.

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TELEGRAMS.

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DEATH OF THE RAJAH OF SARAWAK.

LONDON, May 17. The death is announced of H.H. Sir Charles Johnson Brooke, first Baron of Sarawak. Sir Charles Brooke formerly held a commission in H.M. Navy. He resigned his commission in order to serve under his uncle in Sarawak and became Rajah in 1888. He was born in 1829 and was, therefore, 88 years of age at his death.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, May 18. Messrs. Montagu's silver report states that the market is steady. There is no time to feature special interest except a continued paucity of sales from America. There have been a few general orders. The bulk of the business has been for coinage.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

CAPTURE OF BULECOURT.

LONDON, May 17. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:— We completed the capture of Bulecourt today, taking 60 prisoners.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, May 17. A French communiqué says:—We have completely re-established our line north of Taffaux Mill, and have appreciably advanced east of Graume and Hill 108, to the south of Berry-au-Bac, capturing prisoners. Artillery duelling has been fairly violent on the Calonne plateau.

CONTINUED PROGRESS OF ITALIANS.

OVER 4,000 PRISONERS IN TWO DAYS.

LONDON, May 17. An Italian official message says:—There has been bitter and prolonged fighting between Cuneo and Vodice. The enemy repeatedly launched considerable attacks against the new positions, but they all were repulsed. The rocky bastion of Mont Cuneo, from Height 611 to Height 524, remained firmly ours.

We appreciably progressed towards the important summit of Height 522, at Vodice. Enemy counter-attacks eastward of Gorizia broke down. We occupied an important height southward of Graziosa, and threw back with serious losses, a powerful enemy attack in the northern sector. The enemy shelled a field hospital at Cervignano, there being six victims.

BRITISH SUCCESS ON THE STRUMA.

LONDON, May 17. A British official message from Salonika says:—We heavily repulsed two strong counter-attacks at Kypri, on the Struma front, taking 96 prisoners.

THE IMPERIAL WAR CABINET.

LONDON, May 17. In the House of Lords, Lord Curzon made a statement with regard to the Imperial War Cabinet similar to that made by the Premier.

THE GOVERNMENT OF QUEENSLAND.

PROPOSAL TO ABOLISH UPPER HOUSE DEFEATED.

BRISBANE, May 17. The Referendum has resulted in the defeat of the proposal to abolish the Queensland Upper House.

[The Parliament of Queensland consists of two houses: a Legislative Council of 38 members, nominated for life by the Crown, and a Legislative Assembly of 75 members elected by universal adult suffrage.]

AUSTRALIAN ELECTIONS.

SOLDIERS VOTE FOR MR. HUGHES.

MELBOURNE, May 17. It is now known that the soldiers' votes were largely cast for Mr. Hughes. The latter, in the course of a speech, said this was one of the most gratifying features of the recent Commonwealth elections. A Nationalist victory would deprive Australian troops of fresh laurels.

FOOD ECONOMY.

LONDON, May 17. In the House of Lords, Lord Devonport said that the voluntary food economy campaign was becoming effective. There was a marked decrease in the general consumption, particularly of bread, in forty towns, including Birmingham and Leeds. He hoped that the voluntary effort would achieve the desired end.

THE NEW BRITISH TRADE CORPORATION.

THE FINANCIAL PRELIMINARIES.

LONDON, May 17. In the House of Commons, Sir Albert Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, stated that the new British Trade Corporation would have a capital of £10,000,000. It was proposed to raise 2½ millions, and it was necessary that one million should be subscribed before the prospectus was issued. He had interviewed representative bankers and explained the scheme to them and asked for their support. The Banks were practically unanimous in support of the scheme, although he could not say that all of them were equally enthusiastic in agreeing to subscribe capital. A number of the larger Banks had subscribed toward the million which was necessary in order to launch the scheme. The Government did not propose to subscribe capital, or to subsidize the undertaking in any way. He believed the Corporation would serve a very useful purpose. In the course of the debate the scheme was strongly criticised, the terms of the Charter being attacked. Mr. Chamberlain promised that the Government would reconsider the matter in the light of the criticisms, but he was unable to promise to revise or to withdraw the Charter.

THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

LONDON, May 17. Ulster Unionists, replying to Mr. Lloyd George, state that they will undertake to submit the settlement suggestions to the Ulster Unionist Council's sympathetic consideration. Mr. Redmond, replying to Mr. Lloyd George, says that the Nationalists are prepared to recommend the assembling of a Convention, provided that Irishmen of all creeds are represented.

PRESS TRIBUTE TO GENERAL SMUTS.

LONDON, May 17. The Daily Telegraph, in an editorial headed "An Historic Speech," says:—General Smuts' speech is one of the finest and most statesmanlike utterances that the war has produced. If the British nation has not realised fully before, it is assuredly will understand now what a noble ornament and a strong pillar of the Empire it possesses in the soldier-statesman who represented the Union at the Imperial War Conference. Hitherto we have thought of him principally as a brilliant soldier, but the future may well reveal that his political services are even more valuable still. This is always a rare and sometimes a dangerous combination of genius, but we know from General Smuts' speeches where his deepest hopes are centred, that he hates war and that all his ambitions are set upon serving his fellow countrymen, South Africa and the Empire to which he is proud to belong. If we interpret General Smuts' speech aright, we detect therein a note of friendly and earnest caution to those who think the time is ripe for forming a new Constitution of the Empire with a new Imperial Parliament, a new Imperial Treasury, and new Imperial taxes. The idea is noble, imposing and logical, but it is none the less full of perils and quicksands, and, above all, open to the fatal objection that it does not seem to be desired by the responsible spokesmen of the Dominions. It may be taken, therefore, to indicate that the special War Conference which will be called at the end of the war to consider the general problem of Imperial reconstruction will not favour the idea of a unified Parliament of the Empire. Reconstruction will have to proceed on lines less sensational but far more consonant with the British traditions of gradual evolution. Indeed, it has already begun during the last two weeks in the admission to the Imperial Cabinet of statesmen of the Dominions and representatives of India.

AUSTRALIAN RECRUITING.

PERTH, May 17. The Recruiting Committee has asked the Premier of Western Australia to stimulate recruiting by removing from the Civil Service single men fit for military service. The Premier replied sympathising with the proposal, but expressed the opinion that the Commonwealth should take initial action. He promised to communicate with the Federal Government to that effect.

DR. MACNAMARA'S APPEAL TO TRADE UNIONISTS.

"If you don't put your shoulder to the wheel you will put your neck in a German yoke," said Dr. Macnamara, addressing a crowded meeting at the Wood Green Empire. The Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty appealed to trade unionists not to strike and reminded them that, while they were quarrelling over an extra shilling a week, their brothers in the trenches were enduring untold hardships. Alluding to women workers, Dr. Macnamara said we could get quill pens if we wanted them, but their organisation was not quite ready. They would, however, be available as time went on.

COMPANY REPORTS.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED.

The report of the Directors for the year ending 30th April, 1917, states:— Gentlemen.—The Directors now beg to submit to you their Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1917.

The Net Profit for the twelve months, after deducting Directors' Fees and General Managers' Remuneration and providing for loss on subsidiary and silver coins, amounts to £22,032.06. To which has to be added the Balance brought forward from last account, £1,509.92. Making available for appropriation, £23,541.98.

The Directors recommend that a Dividend at the rate of 7 per cent. annum be paid to Shareholders, amounting to £21,000.00, and that the Balance of £2,541.98 be carried to a new Profit and Loss Account.

DIRECTORS.

During the year Hon. Mr. David Landale resigned on leaving the Colony, and his place was filled by Hon. Mr. C. E. Anton. In accordance with Rule 73 of the Company's Articles of Association, Dr. J. W. Noble, Mr. J. Scott Harrison, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, G.M.C., and Hon. Mr. C. E. Anton retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. C. Bernard Brown and A. R. Lowe, who offer themselves for re-election.

HENRY HUMPHREYS, Chairman.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1917.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA.

The twenty-fourth annual report of the board of directors to the shareholders states:—

The Directors submit to the Shareholders of the Bank the General Balance Sheet and Statement of Profit and Loss Account for the year ending 31st December, 1916.

The Net Profits for the year, after providing for bad and doubtful debts, and including £31,302.6s. 6d. brought forward from last account, amount to £164,676.11s. 4d. From this sum has to be deducted £28,125, being the Interim Dividend of 5 per cent., less Income Tax, on the "A" and "B" Shares paid for the half-year ending 30th June, 1916.

The Directors have added £50,000 to the Reserve Fund (raising to £500,000), £5,000 to the Officers' Pension Fund, and written £10,000 off Freehold Bank Building Premises. They now recommend a further Dividend on the "A" and "B" Shares of 7 per cent., less Income Tax, for the second half of the year (making 12 per cent. for the year), leaving a balance of £23,176.11s. 4d. to be carried forward.

A Branch of the Bank has been opened in Mauritius by the absorption of the Bank of Mauritius Limited.

Mr. P. R. Chalmers, of Messrs. Chalmers, Guthrie & Co., Ltd., has been appointed to a seat on the Board.

The following Directors retire by rotation, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election:—Mr. J. Campbell and Mr. P. R. Chalmers.

It will be necessary to appoint Auditors. Messrs. Cooper Brothers & Co., and Messrs. W. A. Browne & Co., the retiring Auditors, offer themselves for re-election.

By order of the Board, P. MOULD, Chief Manager.

GYMKHANA TRAINING TIMES.

The times of the gallops done this morning of the ponies in training for the Gymkhana next Saturday were as follows:—

Moka, 1 mile, 38, 1.15, 1.48.4; last 1.13.4.
CADDOW'S WOLF, 1/4, 40.2, 1.17.2, 1.54.2, 2.30, 3.02; last 1.42.
SANGALA, 1 mile, 40.3, 1.18.3, 1.52.3; last 1.34.
BROWN DEER, 1 mile, 41.2, 1.35.3, 1.17.
THOMAS, 1 mile, 42, 1.19.2, 1.52.2, 2.32; last 1.35.3.
KING DICK AND TOWN MOOSE, 1 mile, 37, 1.11.3, 1.44.4, 2.18.2; last 1.43.3.
NEW GALLY, 1/4, 43, 1.22, 1.59, 2.32.2, 3.05; last 1.42.3.
AUSTRALIAN CHIEF, 1 mile, 38, 1.14, 1.48.2, 2.19.2; last 1.31.
MAGIE DAMELA, 1 mile, 37, 1.13, 1.46.2, 2.19.4; last 1.32.2.
FIELD MOOSE, 1/4, 39, 1.13.4, 1.50, 2.25.2, 3.02.2; last 1.34.
PINAWU CHIEF AND TITIMOUS, 1 mile, 38.9, 1.07.4, 1.42, 2.14.4; last 1.32.4.
SINOA, 1/4, 39.3, 1.18.2, 1.51, 2.26, 3.02.4; last 1.35.4.
CHOICE DAMELA, 1/4, 40, 1.20, 1.57.3, 2.31, 3.03.2; last 1.32.2.
KING DEER AND WHIPPER-IN, 1/4, 39, 1.14.1, 1.48.4, 2.23, 2.57.3; last 1.34.3.
CLOUTLANDS, 1 mile, 40, 1.21, 1.57, 2.29.2; last 1.32.2.

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H. J. Gedde, 50.00
Officers 74th Punjab, 50.00
A. McIntyre, 50.00
C. A. Hooper, 25.00
D. McMurray, 20.00

H. W. Bird, R. Morgan, H. Cornwell, A. H. Milroy, E. A. Johnson, X.Y., T. K. Desly, T. J. Crispin, Dr. G. D. Black, £10.00 each, 90.00
A. Course, W. Highy, J. R. F. D. Wilson, H. E. Goldsmith, G. Crat, R. J. Del Pan, H. W. Taylor, J. Pringle, J. Taylor, H. M. Russell, J. Thomas, J. Ralston, H. Maxwell, W. L. Handyside, B. Tanner, A. Morris, R. E. O. Bird, £3.00 each, 90.00

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Amount previously acknowledged, £5,131.39

Total, £6,049.39

CURE OF WAR WOUNDS.

WHAT SCIENCE IS DOING FOR THE SOLDIER.

Science has made many strides during the present war in the direction of fighting disease and wounds. In this respect it owes much to the bacteriologist, and recently at the meeting of the Royal Microscopical Society, Dr. Kenneth Goadby of the Herbert Hospital, Woolwich, showed and explained many interesting slides which illustrated this. Recovery from all wounds is endangered by the attacks of bacteria, which are introduced into the wound by the bullet or the scrap of shell, and that is why the history of these little criminals is so interesting and so important.

Like other criminals, it is most important to get to know something about their life history, and to obtain photographs of them, that they can be identified when caught at their evil work. As in their adult age they are only about an inch in length, they are not easy to detect, and it is here that the microscope comes in so useful.

Dr. Goadby showed slides which contained specimens of some of the worst and most dangerous—the bacillus malignant oedematis, the bacillus Hibler—which causes the frightful small in some wounds—and the bacillus perfringens, which gives rise to gas gangrene.

Fortunately the human body contains an active and intelligent police force, which hunts down these criminals ceaselessly. Some of these phagocytes were shown. It is the work of the surgeon to give them a sort of medical tonic to increase their appetite. One slide showed a group of them lying like bee-eaters, with the enemies they had eaten being comfortably digested in their stomachs.

The total output of the Kiln Mining Administration for the week ending 5th May amounted to 7,622 tons, and the sales during the period to 55,364 tons.

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COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Maxon and Taylor's weekly Share Report states:—

The market continues dull with scanty business passing, and there are no changes of any importance to record. Shanghai seems to have improved slightly. Cottons are slightly firmer and Shanghai Docks have moved up a point.

RUBBER is quoted 3/4 (Plantation). Banks after sales at 87 1/2 have dropped to 87 1/2.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions remain nominal at 3/4 and Cantons at 3/80. North China at 1/10 and Yangtze at 3/17 are all without business.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong Fire could be placed at 3/25, China Fire at 1/40.

SHIPPING.—Douglases after sales at 82 1/2 are in demand at 84 1/2. Indo-China has slightly improved their position since the general meeting to a buying quotation of 1/10 1/2 for deferred. Cash shares seem very scarce. Star Ferries are in demand at 3/2, Steamboats after sales at 1/17 1/2 are still wanted.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have been done at 1/10, but at 1/10 there are sellers. Malabars are wanted at 3/9 1/2.

OILS AND MINING.—Langkate could be placed at 1/17 1/2, in Shanghai. Rauba are lifeless at 2/60. Tronohi at 3/7 1/2 and Ural Caspians at 3/4 are both nominal. Shells have come to business at 1/10 1/2, which rate probably more shares could be placed. Ailans are the subject of enquiry at 3/1 1/2 ex 1 dividend just paid.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Kowloon Wharves are a weak market at 7/30. Hongkong Docks are a trifle firmer with buyers at 1/12 1/2. Shanghai Docks have improved to a buying quotation at 1/12 1/2.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Centrals are nominal at 9/8, West Points are sellers at 8/12. Hongkong Lands at 3/7 1/2 and Howland Lands at 3/8, are both without business. Humphreys are wanted at 3/1, and Hongkong Hotels at 1/10.

COTTON MILLS.—The Shanghai market seems slightly firmer. Shanghai Cottons at 1/12 1/2, Kwoos at 1/12 1/2, Kung Yis at 1/12 1/2, would probably all find buyers. Yangtzeports have been done at 1/12 1/2 and are the subject of an unsatisfied demand.

ELECTRIC COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electric after sales at 4/0 are wanted at 4/0 1/2. China Light is quiet at 4/1. Hongkong Trams could be placed at 4/6 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Providents and China Borneos are both nominal at 3/8. Cents are weak close, a little firmer with buyers at 3/8. Watsons have been done at 3/80. Lower Level Trams could be placed at 3/80, but no shares are coming out at this figure. William Powells are easier with sellers at 3/8. Dairy Farms after sales at 7/24, are wanted at a slightly lower rate. Waterworks are still 1/16 without business. Hongkong Ice at 1/11 remain without business.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

DETAILS.

On duty from the morning of Sunday the 28th May to the morning of Sunday the 27th May: "B" Coy. H.K.V.R. Orderly Officer: Lieut. B. R. Branch. Next for duty H.K.V.C.

PARADES FOR NEXT WEEK.

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CLAIMS OF THE STATE.

AN EX-POLICEMAN BANISHED FROM MALAYA.

Certain information has reached us in the ordinary course of business (says the Straits Times) and we have considered our duty to handle that information in the form of a leading article rather than to print it in bald news or news-comment form. The essence of the information is that an order of banishment issued by Government against Mr. George Molyneux, ex-inspector in the F.M.S. Police force, has aroused intense feeling, and has produced threats of resignation by other European and Asiatic officers as a protest against what they consider the harsh treatment of their late colleague. The case stands thus, as stated in a recent issue of the F.M.S. Government Gazette:—"The Government considers that the circumstances under which George Molyneux, ex-inspector in the F.M.S. Police force, was dismissed from office, and his subsequent appointment as a private, are such as to require that he should be banished from the service. It is necessary to demonstrate to private employers that Government servants cannot be employed without Government's sanction. Mr. Molyneux has made himself, valueless to the Government: he cannot be allowed to be of value to a private firm. He has set his private interest above his duty to the State, and these are not times in which the State can tolerate such conduct. It has an unquestionable and inalienable right to every man's service for such time and on such terms as may be deemed necessary. We very earnestly hope that other men in various branches of the public service will see that this is essential, and that no sort of countenance will be given to conduct which in the crisis of a great war is beyond all question disloyal."

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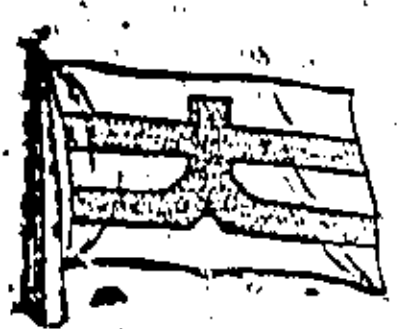
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	Displacement	SAILING DATE
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE Via KEELUNG, SEANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA	KAMAKURA MARU	12,500	FRIDAY, 8th June at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SHIDZUOKA MARU	12,500	WEDNESDAY, 20th June at Noon.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	TANGO MARU	13,500	SATURDAY, 10th May at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAISHO MARU	8,000	SATURDAY, 10th May
	KASHIMA MARU	21,000	FRIDAY, 25th May at 11 a.m.
	SENZEN MARU	8,000	WEDDAY, 30th May
KOBE	PENANG MARU	10,080	SUNDAY, 27th May

LONDON via SINGAPORE, MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, DELAGOA BAY, CAPE TOWN AND MADEIRA.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.

CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & BANGKOK.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA AND COLOMBO.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

S.S. "VENEZUELA"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, SHANGHAI AND MANILA.

THE above-mentioned vessel, having arrived from the above-mentioned ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Cargo are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, May 23rd, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after May 24th, 1917, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading immediately for counter-signature.

R. C. MORTON,

General Agent.

Hongkong, May 17, 1917.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "JACOB"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 24th May, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 22nd May, 1917, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Agents.

Hongkong, May 17, 1917.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE.

THE Steamship "TJIBODAS"

having arrived from the above port, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous

